

Docket No.: 31229-232408
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Peter R. VAN SMIRREN

Application No.: Not Yet Assigned

Filed: June 23, 2006

For: VEHICLE LOAD CARRIER

International Application No.:
PCT/GB2004/005171

International Filing Date:
December 9, 2004

Confirmation No.: Not Yet Assigned

Group Unit No.: Not Yet Assigned

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Customer No.:

26694

PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MS PCT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.